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### RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement mailed on October 29, 2004, and in accordance with the provisions under 37 CFR §4.115 and 1.145, the Applicants submit the following election for further prosecution on the merits:

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Election:

Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the species characterized by the Examiner as Embodiment 3, Figures 4-5. Embodiment 3, as characterized by the Examiner, includes generic claims 1-3, as well as claims 4-6.

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#### REMARKS

The requirements for restriction being the only issue raised in the present Office Action, this paper is fully responsive to the same. The Applicants respectfully traverse the present restriction requirement for the reason that the Examiner has not provided the reasons to why the species described herein are either independent or distinct, other than the mere statement of conclusion in paragraph 1 of the Office Action. Section 808 of the MPEP-provides the following:

MPIP 808 Reasons for Insisting Upon Restriction
"Every requirement to restrict has two aspects: (A) the reasons (as distinguished from the mere statement of conclusion) why the inventions as claimed are either independent or distinct; and (B) the reasons for insisting upon restriction therebetween as set forth in the following sections."

Accordingly, because no such reasons for the present restriction requirement have been given, the Applicants respectfully request examination of each of claims 1-9 as previously elected. The Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application for any non-elected subject matter in this application.

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No new matter has been entered and no additional fees are believed to be required. However, if any fees are due with respect to this Response, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 09-0456 maintained by the applicants' assignee.

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